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## PART III—Section I

### NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT

#### CHIEF SECRETARIAT

No. 997—W., dated 10th November 1944.

The following Press Communiqué dated the 5th October 1944, of the Government of India (Department of Commerce) is re-published for general information.

By Order,  
V. VEDAVYASACHARYA,  
Chief Secretary to Government.

#### Press Communiqué.

#### CARGOES *EX* GERMAN SHIPS AT MARMUGAO.

In their Commerce Department Press Communiqué dated 29th April 1943, the Government of India announced that the three German ships "Braunfels," "Ehrenfels" and "Drachenfels," which had been sheltering in Marmugao, were scuttled there on 9th March 1943. From information so far received by the Government of India, it appears that most of the cargoes which were on board those ships at the time have either been destroyed or are irrecoverable.

The Government of India also understand that the London Chamber of Commerce Scheme for the recovery of the cargoes *ex* German ships has fallen through, as the Chamber find themselves unable to do anything further in view of the present changed circumstances. Messrs. Cos and Kings (Agents), Limited, Bombay, who were the agents in India of the London Chamber of Commerce, are accordingly returning to cargo-owners the shipping documents which were lodged with them.

Owners of cargoes and those interested in consignments *ex* the above ships are, therefore, advised to register their claims in respect of such cargoes with the Director of Commercial Intelligence, 1, Council House

Street, Calcutta, with a view to facilitating any settlement that may be possible after the conclusion of the War. It is emphasized that this step must be regarded as being without prejudice to the scope and method of any such settlement and that the Government of India do not accept any responsibility regarding the validity of the claim for guarantee that the claims will eventually be met or compensated for.

Commerce Department, New Delhi, the 5th October 1944.

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#### DEVELOPMENT SECRETARIAT

No. S. D. 2587—C. 32-44-32, dated  
9—10th November 1944.

In exercise of the powers conferred by Rules 75-A, 75-B and 81 of the Defence of India Rules as applied to Mysore, the Government of Mysore are pleased to direct that under note (4) to Schedule IV of the Articles of Food Acquisition (Harvest) Order, 1943, issued under Notification No. S. D. 5138—C. 151-43-67, dated the 14th February 1944, the following varieties of paddy shall be classified as 'Medium':—

#### MEDIUM

18. 'Garikesanna' paddy
19. 'Kar' paddy, yielding fine grains of red and white rice.

By Order,  
C. E. NORONHA,  
Secretary to Government,  
Development Department  
(Supplies).